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I Wanna Go Back • 2 Peter 1:16-21 • Message 3

BACK TO THE GLORY DAYS, BACK TO SIMPLER TIMES, BACK TO CHURCH, BACK TO NORMAL!

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#### Reason for Faith #2: Fulfilled **P R O P H E C Y**

2 PETER 1:19 • WE NOW HAVE PROPHECY HINDSIGHT!

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